

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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**NOTICE OF HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES**

**DOCKET NOS. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E**

DOCKET NO. 2020-264-E - Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Establishment of Solar Choice Metering Tariffs Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (See Docket No. 2019-170-E)

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DOCKET NO. 2020-265-E - Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Establishment of Solar Choice Metering Tariffs Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (See Docket No. 2019-169-E)

On November 4, 2020, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("the Companies") jointly filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. § 58-40-20, S. C. Code Ann. Regs. §§ 103-819 and -823, and other applicable rules and regulations of the 2019 ("Act 62"). Specifically, the Companies seek Commission approval of the Companies' proposed solar choice metering riders and rate schedules (collectively, the "Solar Choice Tariffs") as specifically required by Act 62 and approval of the riders and rate schedules as included in Application Exhibit 1 through Application Exhibit 8, along with any further relief the Commission deems to be just and reasonable and in the public interest.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (F)(1) states, "After notice and opportunity for public comment and public hearing, the Commission shall establish a "solar choice metering tariff" for customer-generators to go into effect for applications received after May 31, 2021." S. C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (F)(2) provides, "In establishing any successor solar choice metering tariffs, and in approving any future modifications, the commission shall determine how meter information is used for calculating the solar choice metering measurement that is just and reasonable in light of the costs and benefits of the solar choice metering program." Also, S. C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20(F)(3) provides, in part, "A solar choice metering tariff shall include a methodology to compensate customer-generators for the benefits provided by their generation to the power system."

During its regularly scheduled Commission Business Meeting on October 28, 2020, the Commission adopted the following procedural schedule regarding solar choice metering tariffs for Duke Energy Progress, LLC and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.

DEC and DEP Applications & Direct Testimony due November 2, 2020  
 ORS and Intervenor Testimony due December 7, 2020  
 Rebuttal Testimony due December 21, 2020  
 Surrebuttal Testimony due January 11, 2021  
 Joint DEC/DEP Evidentiary Hearing Beginning Date: January 20, 2021 (hearing shall continue each day thereafter until completed)  
 Briefs and Proposed Orders due February 5, 2021  
 PSCSC Final Orders issued March 3, 2021  
 Compliance Tariffs due March 15, 2021

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a Party of Record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **November 25, 2020**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all Parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and Heather S. Smith, Esquire, Duke Energy, 40 W. Broad Street, Suite 690, Greenville, South Carolina 29601, on or before **November 25, 2020**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E.***

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** a joint hearing, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817 and S. C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20, on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Wednesday, January 20, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Saluda Building; Columbia, South Carolina 29210. The Hearing shall continue each day thereafter until completed.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and ***Docket No. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E.***

**INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicants, Petitioners, and Intervenors only):**

**\*\*** On or before **1/13/2021**, please provide the order of witnesses to be presented during the hearing, whether there is an objection to taking direct and rebuttal or surrebuttal testimony together during the hearing, and whether or not there is a desire to use panels of witnesses. **\*\***

All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's **Direct Testimony** Due: **11/2/2020**; Other Parties of Record **Direct Testimony** Due: **12/7/2020**; Applicant's **Rebuttal Testimony** Due: **12/21/2020**; and Other Parties of Record **Surrebuttal Testimony** Due: **1/11/2021**. All prefiled testimony deadlines are subject to the information as posted on [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) under ***Docket No. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E.***

Please be advised failure to comply with the instructions contained herein could result in your proposed witnesses' testimony and exhibits being excluded in the subject proceeding. Additionally, please note that failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the DISMISSAL of your pleading.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at **(803) 896-5100** or visit its website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

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